

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 75

Introduced by Assembly Member Bonilla

August 8, 2013

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 75—Relative to the California Council on Science and Technology.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 75, as introduced, Bonilla. California Council on Science and Technology.

This measure would honor the California Council on Science and Technology for 25 years of service and unbiased advice to the State of California.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, The California Council on Science and Technology
2 (CCST) will celebrate its 25th anniversary during the year 2013,
3 and in recognition thereof, it is deserving of special public
4 commendations; and

5 WHEREAS, The CCST, as envisioned by the California State
6 Legislature in 1988 by Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 162,
7 was created to ensure the state’s competitiveness in science and
8 technology; and

9 WHEREAS, The CCST was directed to bring together experts
10 from academia, industry, and other research institutions in
11 California to provide impartial analyses on science and
12 technological issues affecting the State of California; and

13 WHEREAS, These scientists and engineers have responded to
14 requests for analyses on significant and challenging science and

1 technology related issues in California, ranging from education to
2 climate change and exploring California's energy future; and

3 WHEREAS, The CCST has worked effectively with the
4 Legislature, the Governor's office, and many state agencies to
5 accomplish these ends; and

6 WHEREAS, The CCST has expanded its scope to include a
7 formal partnership with six major federal laboratories in California
8 and established a California teachers advisory council; and

9 WHEREAS, The California Science and Technology Policy
10 Fellowships, offered by the CCST, place professional scientists
11 and engineers in the California State Legislature for one-year
12 appointments. These professional development opportunities enable
13 fellows to work hands on with policymakers to develop solutions
14 to complex scientific and technical issues facing California through
15 their interaction with the legislative process; and

16 WHEREAS, The CCST's accomplishments as a voice for
17 California's science and technology community have led to
18 collaborations with the national academies; and

19 WHEREAS, The maintenance of California's scientific and
20 technological infrastructure is vital to the continued growth of this
21 state's economy; and

22 WHEREAS, The CCST has proven an effective and dedicated
23 organization to the study, preservation, and enhancement of this
24 infrastructure; and

25 WHEREAS, The CCST has successfully represented California's
26 science and technology professions at the highest level providing
27 independent and objective analyses to the state as requested or
28 identified as important to the state by its own analysis; now,
29 therefore, be it

30 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
31 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature honors the California
32 Council on Science and Technology for 25 years of service and
33 unbiased advice to the State of California; and be it further,

34 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
35 of this resolution to the chairperson of the CCST and to the author
36 for appropriate distribution.